

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
PUBLIC ACT SUMMARY



**PA 18-58**—sSB 323  
*Committee on Children*

**AN ACT REQUIRING NOTICE PRIOR TO THE TRANSFER OF A  
CHILD TO A NEW OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT**

**SUMMARY:** By law, a child that is uncared for, neglected, or abused may be committed to the Department of Children and Families (DCF) and placed in a suitable out-of-home placement. This act requires DCF to provide written notice to any child or youth being transferred to a second or subsequent out-of-home placement and his or her attorney at least 10 days before the transfer, except when immediate transfer is necessary due to an emergency or risk to the child's well-being.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2018

*Related Act*

PA 18-186 (effective October 1, 2018) requires DCF to provide notice to the attorney or guardian ad litem representing a child (1) at least 10 business days before a placement change or (2) no later than two business days after a placement change in an emergency. The act also establishes notice requirements related to certain other events, such as permanency team meetings.